GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
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LOK SABHA

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RESERVES OF CRUDE OIL
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Will the Minister of PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS be pleased to state:

(a): the places wherein surveys have been conducted to locate crude oil reserves in the country during the last three years;

(b): the expenditure incurred thereon during the said period;

(c): whether the crude oil reserves have been found during survey period; and

(d): if so, the details thereof?

Answer

Minister of State in the Ministry of Petroleum & Natural Gas and Minister of State in the Ministry of Parliamentary Affairs (Shri Santosh Kumar Gangwar)

(a): During the last three years National Oil Companies (NOCs), i.e. Oil and Natural Gas Corporation Ltd. (ONGC) and Oil India Lt (OIL), and various private/joint venture companies carried out geo-scientific survey for hydrocarbon exploration in the following basins:-

Assam-Arakan, Assam-Shelf, Bengal, Cambay, Cauvery, Ganga, Himalyan Foreland, Rajasthan, Krishna-Godavari, Satpura Vindhyan, Upper-Assam, Eastern and Western Offshore.

In addition, Directorate General of Hydrocarbons(DGH) carried out reconnatory surveys in East-Coast offshore, Andaman Offshore and Southern Tip of India Offshore, including deep waters.

(b) to (d): Information is being collected and will be laid on the Table of the House.